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Whoever began the custom of spelling "silver" with only one "v" had no adequate conception of the horrors of a cold street car.

If the surviving aviators should hold reunions at the close of the years would they be able to get special rates from the railroads?

Two persons in Baltimore were married just for fun. This is another evidence that the accepted standards of humor need revision upward.

Uncle Sam has just paid \$88.50 for clothes worn in the Civil war. This is setting a good example to the men who never pay their tailor bills.

A bride of seventy-eight in Brooklyn is accused of eccentricity. The fact that she is romantic enough to be a bride ought in itself to prove the charge.

English scientists are now discussing a beer without alcohol. They should bear in mind the discomfort which overtook the discoverers of odorless limburger.

The Evansville (Ind.) man who is suing for a divorce because his wife bathes her pet dog in the dishpan is unreasonable. She might have compelled him to do it.

One thousand copies of the book written by the king of Italy were gobbled up as soon as they were placed on the market. For successful authorship try being a king.

It took 12,299 hunters to kill 5,551 deer in Maine during the recent open season. If the hunters had used clubs instead of guns they might have brought down a few more.

A woman in a Pennsylvania town found a gold nugget in a chicken's craw. Poultry will now get dearer than ever with the prospect of every hen's being its own gold mine.

Science, says an expert, will make men in the future centenarians. But it is impossible to please everybody. This news will raise a calamity howl from the pessimists and undertakers.

A New York woman who has been arrested for bigamy says she married her first husband for spite and the second on a bet. We think the joke was on the man who enabled her to win the bet.

They have accused the family fly, the night-singing family mosquito, of infecting with tuberculosis, and now they say the family cat must go for the same reason. But when the last is abolished there will come the threat of the rat with the bubonic plague germ. No matter which way we turn we are confronted with a new peril.

A physician in Washington, who evidently is obsessed with the idea of being the benefactor of his race, declares that silence is the best cure for nervous disorders in women. But with all his science he does not know the nervous sex, if he thinks a dictum like this, after centuries of offensive and defensive volubility, is going to make them stop talking.

It is said that whistling is now a fad in Washington society among the women. The pessimists, who have been unable to shock the country with their walls over the terrible deterioration of the race caused by cigarette-smoking among women, will now have a fresh outlet for their vociferous calamity outbursts. And as a result the women will, as long as it pleases them, keep on whistling.

A man in a Philadelphia theater tore to pieces a big hat which hid his view of the stage. Of course, they had to arrest him, but no one will doubt that he was a martyr to the sacred cause of our common humanity.

A man in Pittsburgh pleaded that he beat his wife only when she needed it. But, as he found when she had him sent to jail, there is nothing about the solicitude of others for their moral welfare.

SPEEDY PEACE SEEMS ASSURED

Proposals Which Are Hoped to End Hostilities

DIAZ TO STEP DOWN AND OUT

Taft Back from the South and Will Issue Full Statement Concerning Mobilization of Troops Along Mexican Border.

Washington.—Peace is assured in the republic of Mexico within the week if certain influences now at work toward that end prove effective.

With the arrival in Mexico City of Senator Jose Yves Limantour, minister of finance, President Diaz will begin a series of conferences which it is expected will result in the announcement of a reorganized cabinet.

Minister Limantour will present an explanation of the demands of the revolutionists, and the changes in the official family of President Diaz, as well as the institution of certain reforms, are confidently expected to appease the insurgents.

In the meantime, President Taft, who has returned, will confer with Ambassador De La Barra, and there is good ground for the assumption that the troops now concentrated in Texas immediately will begin a series of maneuvers and return shortly to their posts.

All Will Be Disclosed.

In addition to this, when conditions are normal in Mexico, a complete statement of things which actuated the mobilization of the troops will be issued by the white house.

Senator Jose Yves Limantour is to succeed his chief immediately as president, his title being "provisional president." He will hold office until election is held, when regular candidates nominated by conventions yet to be called, will take place.

TONS OF BROOM CORN BURNED.

Seven Buildings Also Go Up in Smoke—Loss \$200,000.

Charleston, Ill.—Fire, which broke out in the Harryman Bros. store-rooms, destroyed seven buildings and 1,500 tons of broom corn, causing a loss estimated at \$200,000.

The fire was not under control after the Mattson fire department had arrived and given aid. The high wind blew sparks all over the city, and several small fires were started, but soon extinguished by bucket brigades.

The buildings burned include the Clover Leaf railroad depot, Big Four freight office, storage sheds and 600 feet of platform, two warehouses owned by Harryman Bros., two warehouses, the property of Wright & Phintun, and the elevator of Wheatley & Linder. Little of the contents of the buildings was saved.

STOLEN POSTAGE STAMPS.

Banker Found Guilty of Buying and Selling Them.

Wichita, Kan.—L. S. Nafziger, formerly president of the Fourth National bank, was found guilty of buying and selling stolen postage stamps. The offense is punishable by a maximum sentence of five years in prison and a fine of \$5,000.

Nafziger purchased the stamps from Frank S. Burt, former chief of police. They had been stolen from Kansas postoffices, and were sold to Burt by John Callahan, who has been convicted of buying and selling stolen postage stamps.

MURDER AND ARSON.

Son of Dead Couple Charged With Terrible Double Crime—Confesses to Part of It.

Aurora, Conn.—Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Fitzgibbons were murdered and their residence set afire. Thomas Fitzgibbons, Jr., their son, is locked up charged with the crime.

While the son admits chopping the father's head off he claims that the father killed his mother and then he took the ax away from him, and, as he says, beat the father's head to a pulp and did not desert until he was sure the father was dead.

Railroad Bridge Burns.

Paducah, Ky.—Fire destroyed the Barlow creek bridge, on the Illinois Central, entailing a loss of approximately \$10,000. It originated presumably from hot coals from an engine.

London.—Ernest Crofts, R. A., the noted painter and keeper of the Royal Academy, died. He was born in Yorkshire in 1847.

Up to Full Complement.

Portland, Ore.—Order that the organization of the Oregon National guard be brought up to a footing for field service have been received from the war department. A meeting of the general staff was called to plan the changes made necessary by the order.

Havana.—The international aviators began the first aviation meet under the auspices of the Aero Club of Cuba. Only exhibition flights were made.



Little drops of water, little chunks of soil, Make a prosperous country when admixed with toil.

BLOW UP BARRACKS

REBELS EXPLODE NITRO GLYCERIN UNDER BUILDINGS OCCUPIED BY DIAZ TROOPS.

MEXICO TO SHOW NO MERCY

Leniency for Insurrectos Is at an End—Citizens of United States, Held in Jails, Are Assured Civil Trials for Sedition.

El Paso, Tex.—Two heavy charges of nitro-glycerin were exploded under the barracks occupied by Mexican troops Wednesday night at Juarez, Mexico, and the buildings occupied by the soldiers were badly damaged. The attempt to blow up the barracks is attributed to revolutionists.

Two of a small band of insurrectos who secretly had entered the town were wounded and captured.

Assurance of the safety of all Americans now confined in Mexican prisons is given in an official statement issued at Juarez.

Americans now prisoners will be given trials in the civil courts on charges of sedition against the Mexican government, but hereafter all insurrectos, whether citizens of the United States or not, may be subject to the death penalty under summary military procedure.

The statement from the Mexican officials was issued relative to the seventeen foreigners now imprisoned in the federal jail at Casas Grandes. Fifteen of them are Americans. Pending their trials they will be given the consideration due to prisoners of war. Colonel Cuellar, in command at Casas Grandes, is suffering from wounds, and as soon as he is able to move, the prisoners will be marched 170 miles to Chihuahua to face the civil courts.

The two other foreigners are European "soldiers of fortune" who have fought in Central American revolutions.

Colonel Manuel Tamborel, military commander at Juarez, said: "The Americans have not been shot and will not be. Colonel Cuellar has so reported to us here and to Mexico City. It is the intention to give the men a fair trial. This does not mean, however, the same consideration will be given to foreigners hereafter captured."

Colonel Tamborel at first said he had been advised that forty foreigners had been captured, but later said the report was incorrect. He said he had not received the names of the Americans.

It is said the citizens of the United States now fighting in the insurrecto ranks number 600. The largest force is with Capt. Oscar G. Creighton, who has been active in blowing up railroad bridges. Government officials received orders to put a stop to the crossing of Americans from El Paso into the insurrecto territory.

New York.—The sudden departure from New York Thursday of Senator Limantour, the Mexican minister of finance, after a week of conferences and negotiations, the precise nature of which has not hitherto been clear, was Friday explained by the understanding that he has succeeded in effecting a tentative plan by which substantial reforms are expected to be put in force immediately by the Mexican government, and the leading insurrectos, being satisfied, are to aid in restoring peace.

Frank Work Dies of Pneumonia.

New York.—Frank Work, the multi-millionaire railroad man and father of Mrs. Burke-Roche, died at his home here Thursday of pneumonia. He was ninety-two years old and it is understood leaves an estate amounting to \$20,000,000.

Hurled, Unhurt, by Train.

Utica, N. Y.—Matthew Bowers was struck by the Twentieth Century Limited here Thursday and escaped without a scratch. The wagon in which he was riding was demolished.

MAKE NOTABLE TEST

DREADNOUGHT WILL ATTEMPT TO SINK WARSHIP TEXAS.

Sheep, Cats and Pigs to Remain on Board to Prove Effectiveness of Projectiles.

Washington.—The up-to-date battleship New Hampshire will try to sink the San Marcos, under which name the old battleship Texas now is known, in Chesapeake bay, in order to carry out one of the most notable experiments ever undertaken in the history of the navy.

The Texas is to be stationed 10,000 to 12,000 yards from the New Hampshire. The Texas is to be anchored in shoal water. The New Hampshire will use her four 12-inch guns against the broadside of the Texas. The shells are to be loaded so that there will be two great tests, the ability of the New Hampshire's guns to penetrate into the interior of the Texas and the effect of an explosion inside.

The armor belt of the Texas is 12 inches thick at the water line and her citadel armor is also 12 inches thick. In order to make the tests equivalent to battle conditions, the New Hampshire, while firing, is to steam past the Texas at battle speed. This, of course, makes the problem one of extreme difficulty, but in the opinion of the naval officials it is well worth the money and possible cost.

The possible cost, however, may run up into scores of thousands of dollars. It is not proposed to take the guns of the Texas off while she is undergoing her martyrdom for the sake of naval science. The contract price for her hull and machinery was \$2,500,000.

The guns may be destroyed, or some of them, and the "target" may be sunk.

The only living witnesses on board the Texas will be some sheep, cats, pigs and other animals which are to prove the extent of the shocks in the turret or in the interior wherever a 12-inch shell may explode.

MANY ARE HURT IN FIRE

Sixty Persons Leap From Milwaukee Factory Windows—Man Missing—Flames Cause \$100,000 Loss.

Milwaukee.—Sixty people were compelled to jump from the windows of the Minn Billard company factory Friday and many were injured and burned when the building caught fire following an explosion of dust or dynamite.

It is believed that at least one man failed to escape and that the body is in the ruins of the building, which was destroyed. The loss is \$100,000.

A report was circulated, based on a statement, that the Minn factory was an open shop, that the explosion was a continuation of the bomb outrage which began with the wrecking of the Milwaukee Western Fuel company's big coal crane Thursday night. The officials, however, refuse to confirm this report.

The missing: Otto Klann, finisher.

The injured: Gustav Oberpat, Stanislaus Bohresch, John Reese, Franz Boschutas, aged eighty years, will probably die; August Zeigener, probably fatally; John Kouttnay, Alfred Miller, may die; George Kraemer, aged seventy years, probably fatally hurt; Frank Gebauer, Fred Grundholz, aged sixty years; Andrew Randolf.

W. J. Bryan's Daughter to Wed.

Lincoln, Neb.—Mr. and Mrs. William J. Bryan announced Friday the engagement of their daughter, Grace Dexter Bryan, to Richard Lewis Hargreaves of Lincoln. The marriage will be celebrated early in June, the exact date not being made public.

Stampedes Artillery Horses.

San Francisco.—Four artillery recruits were seriously injured at the Presidio Friday when a passing automobile stamped the horses attached to one of the guns.

OPEN LARGEST DAM

GREATEST RECLAMATION PROJECT IN WORLD SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED.

COLONEL IS HONORED GUEST

Cheering Crowds Congratulate Former President to Whom Is Due Honor of Starting Project—Roosevelt Makes Principal Speech.

Roosevelt, Ark., March 18.—Amid the cheers of thousands assembled today to witness the formal opening of the largest dam in the world, the Roosevelt structure across the canyon of the Salt river, Miss Ethel Roosevelt, under the direction of her father, touched the button that sent the imprisoned waters of the Arizona river rippling through the vast system of canals that will transform this sun-baked construction town and 200,000 acres of shifting desert sand into a veritable Garden of Eden.

The arrival of the Roosevelt party, who motored seventy-five miles across the desert to attend the ceremonies, was a signal for wild hilarity among those assembled to witness the event. The cheering crowds pressed about the little group of prominent state and government officials to offer thanks and congratulations to the colonel, to whom in a great measure they owed the successful completion of the project, and he repeatedly removed his hat in acknowledgement of their cordial welcome.

These ceremonies mark the successful termination of one of the greatest reclamation projects the world has ever seen. They mean the reclamation of miles of burning desert, the termination of years of toil under the blazing Arizona sun, and the addition to Arizona's farming lands of a territory whose productive wealth will equal that of the most favored farming districts of the world.

For countless ages the principal stream of Arizona, the Salt river, swollen to torrential proportions in the spring by the melting snows of the distant mountains and diminishing to a tiny creek under the blazing sun of summer, has wound its tortuous course through hundreds of miles of sun-seared desert land that needed but the application of water to blossom into luxuriant vegetable life. The waste of this rich territory was called to the attention of Colonel Roosevelt when he occupied the presidential chair, and he, in turn, ordered the government's reclamation department to investigate.

Engineers were sent to explore the valley of the Salt river. Maps were made of its winding course and samples of its soil were forwarded to Washington, with lengthy reports. Here the reports were passed upon by the reclamation department, the soil was analyzed and the matter referred to the president, whose warm interest had given the scheme life.

All of this is produced without direct cost to the people of the United States. The government builds the great dam and canal system. It does not call upon the taxpayers, but utilizes for this purpose a fund derived from the disposal of public land. This fund is not given away. It is invested in these works, and then the people who are benefited must pay back the cost of the investment at so much per acre in ten annual installments. The money coming back is used over again, every dollar being reinvested in additional works as fast as payments are made for those completed.

This in brief, is the story of the great Arizona reclamation project, as outlined by the many speakers who followed Colonel Roosevelt at the dedication exercises, each of whom paid enthusiastic tribute to the prosecution of the project by the engineers in charge and the support and interest of Colonel Roosevelt that made the scheme practicable.

3,500 JOIN EXPRESS STRIKE

Labor Officials in New York Threaten to Extend Order to All Teamsters.

New York.—Employees of the United States and Wells-Fargo Express companies, numbering 3,500 persons, Friday, joined the striking forces of the Adams Express company, making 5,000 who are now out. Employees of the National and American companies stuck to their posts despite threats and entreaties of a union official.

Mayor Gaynor was astounded when he learned that his peace proposals, accepted by the men Thursday, had been overridden by the Jersey City men at a midnight conference.

Many drivers ordered out in the sympathetic strike were largely dissatisfied with the turn of affairs.

Should the general teamsters' walk-out be ordered, as threatened, labor men say it would be the greatest strike called in this section.

Fighter Drops Dead in Ring.

New York.—Cable advices received here Friday tell of the death in the ring of the National Sporting club of London of Tom Doney, a well-known English middleweight boxer. He dropped dead of heart disease at the opening of a bout.

Fire Destroys Ball Park.

Washington.—Fire practically wiped out the grandstand and bleachers of the American league baseball park Friday. The loss is estimated at \$50,000.

THE GREAT HEREAFTER

By PASTOR RUSSELL of Brooklyn Tabernacle

TEXT—It shall come to pass in the last days that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow into it.—Isaiah 11:2.

Our text has not yet been fulfilled, but we believe the beginning of its fulfillment to be near. It pictures Messiah's kingdom, for which Christian people have long been waiting and praying. "Thy kingdom come; they will be done on earth as it is in heaven"—the name kingdom for which the Jews so long waited and are still waiting. Our text relates not to the spiritual part of the kingdom, which the Gospel church is called to share, but to the earthly part of the kingdom, which belongs to the natural seed of Abraham. A great mistake has been made by many of us in the past, in that we have not discerned and acknowledged the two Israel, spiritual and natural, and the separate rewards and blessings apportioned to these by the Divine promises of the Scriptures. Both are to be used of God in fulfilling the promise made to Abraham—in blessing all the families of the earth.

After the completion of Messiah, Head and Members, on the plane of glory, the New Covenant will be inaugurated with Israel, as the Scriptures distinctly teach (Jeremiah xxxi. 31-34). Our text, therefore, waits for its accomplishment until the last member of the elect Church of Christ shall have passed beyond the vale.

In the symbolic language of the Scriptures a mountain is always symbolic of a kingdom. Hence the mountain of the Lord's house means the kingdom of God and that royal house or family recognized by him. For instance, we read that David sat upon the throne of the kingdom of the Lord and that God made a covenant with him, "even the sure mercies of David"—viz., that none but his seed, his posterity, would ever be recognized as the Divinely appointed representatives of God in kindly authority and power. In other words, Messiah was to be the offspring of David, the great antitypical David (Beloved), who must "reign from sea to sea and from the river to the ends of the earth."

The Messiah-King on the spirit plane, the Son of God (and like God invisible to men, as are also the angels), is the antitypical David and the antitypical Solomon, the wise, the great, the rich. In the days of his flesh our Lord was the Son of David according to the flesh, though begotten of a divine life not tainted by any human imperfection. He was, therefore, holy, harmless, undefiled and separate from sinners. His faithfulness to the will of the Father made him subject to all of the experiences of suffering and death, as expressed in his own words. The cup which my Father has poured for me shall I refuse to drink it? His obedience unto death, even the death of the cross, demonstrating his loyalty to the last degree and he received the high reward appropriated. "Him hath God also highly exalted and given a name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, both of things in heaven and of things in earth."

We have before our minds the antitypical house of David, Messiah's kingdom household, the royal priesthood divinely prepared. As a kingdom it will be at the top, above all the kingdoms of earth. Not only will this be true of the spiritual kingdom (invisible to men, as are the angels and invisible), but it will include also an earthly kingdom, composed of "Israelites in deed." At their head as princes in all the earth will stand the resurrected Ancient Worthies, perfected as men and samples of all mankind, by obedience to the laws of the kingdom, may attain to, with eternal life. These Ancient Worthies are enumerated in the Scriptures—Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, the prophets, etc., and described by St. Paul in Hebrews 11:23-40. To these belong the earthly promises of the Old Testament. They never heard of the heavenly or spiritual promises. Their loyalty will find its reward in the fact that they will come forth from the tomb no longer blemished and imperfect, but fully, completely restored to the perfection originally enjoyed by father Adam. Additionally these will have the special guidance and instruction of Messiah (Head and members) in all the affairs of mankind. Thus as the Master said, speaking of that time, "Ye shall see Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and the prophets in the kingdom (Luke 13:28).

God's kingdom will be represented in the earth by Isaac, especially by these saintly men of Israel, resurrected perfect, who will be the special appointees and representatives of the glorified Messiah's rule.

Humanity for 6,000 years has been learning "the exceeding sinfulness of sin," its downward tendency in every sense of the word.

As a consequence, the world is losing confidence in itself. All, whether politicians or judges or governors, great or small, or one party or another, of one nationality or another—all are accused of being tarred with the same stick of selfishness. The Bible clearly indicates that this distrust is not without reason, and that the great time of trouble to come upon every nation (Daniel 12:1) will be the direct result of this loss of confidence.